ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An apparatus for and method of accommodating an XML document within a legacy

5   data base management system. The XML document is defined by a Document Type

Definition (DTD). The XML document is converted into a form suitable for use by the

legacy data base management system in accordance with an Input Definition Table (IDT).

The IDT is a table containing a plurality of sequential text statements which define the

conversion process. The IDT is stored within a repository of the legacy data base

10   management system.